





The Countrymans Treasure:

Shewing the Nature, Cause, and Cure
Of all DISEASES incident to
CATTLE,

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Oxen,	}	Sheep,
Cows,	}	Hogs,
And	}	And
Calves;	}	Dogs.

With proper Means to prevent their
common Diseases and Distempers.

Being very useful RECEIPTS, as
they have been practised by the long Ex-
perience of Forty years, and all approved of.

*Fitted for the Use of all Farmers and others that
deal in Cattel,*

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With TABLES of the several Di-
seases therein contained.

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TO THE
READER.

I Do here present to thy view the several Diseases incident to Cattle, which in Number I have computed to be about Sixty and One: I have also shewed you the Nature of every Disease: and how you may make your Observations to know them, and to distinguish one Disease from another; and afterwards the immediate way of the Cure, which is done with very little Charge, the Medicines being both plain and safe, and easily obtained: As also how to prevent any growing Distemper, which by the alteration of the Place, or other accidental Causes do too often happen. These Medicines I have practised with

To the Reader.

*very good success for above this Five
an Thirty years; and now do here
freely communicate them to all my
Country-men, not doubting (by Gods
blessing on the Means) they may obtain
the good end, which is wholly designed
by*

Your Friend

JAMES LAMBERT,

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THE
COUNTRY-MAN'S
Treasures

FOR
The CURE of CATTLE.

I. *A special Remedy for Sore Eyes, in Bull,
Ox, Cow, or Calf.*

TAke six Egg-shells and put
the Meat clean forth, and
lay the shells betwixt two
Tile-Stones, and lay the
Stones and the Shells in the
hot glowing fire, and burn
them well, and cover the edge of the Tiles
with Clay for to keep the Ashes from the
Shells; and when they are burnt, pound
them to Powder, and searse them finely,
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and with a Quill blow the Powder into the Beasts Eye, and it will mend presently; and blow it in three times a day: Also take white Sugar-candy, and pound it small, and blend it with the aforesaid Powder of the Shells and May-butter; or for want of that, take other fresh Butter without Salt, and work it into a Salve, and anoint the Eyes, morning, noon, and night, and it will help them.

II. *Another for the Sore Eyes.*

TAKE Mutton-bones and burn them well, and pound them to Powder, and searce them very well, and take burnt Allom and Tuttie, and white Sugar-candy, and the juyce of Ivie, and it will help them that hath a Fleam that cometh by a chaff or stroak. Also take the Marrow of a Goose-wing, and it will help them: Also take white Salt and burn it in a Dock or wet Cloth, and take the middle Core of it and mix it with the Juyce of Saladine, and it will help them.

Also there is a Disease on the Eyes, which is called the *Inflammation of the Eyes*, which cometh by blood, and breedeth Gholer and Blindness; sometimes the
Beast

Beast seeth a little, and sometimes not at all.

The Cure.

You must first Cord them in the Neck, and blood them in the Temples under the Eyes, and let them bleed very well, and put in some burat Allom and live Honey mixt together every day, and they will mend for certain. *Approved.*

III. *For the Garget in the Head.*

FOr the Garget in the Head, you must find it out by the swelling in their Eyes and Lips; their Eyes will be swelled up, and the Face and Cheeks will be swelled; and you must look into their Mouths for blisters on their Tongues; and if there be any, you must break them; and if the Tongue be swelled you must pull it forth and look under it: and if there be no blisters, then you must take your Knife and slit it underneath the Tongue an inch long for to let forth the Poyson, and wash it with Vinegar for the present, and within an hour, then give them three penny-worth of the Powder of Fennigrick, Turmerick,

long Pepper, Liquoris-powder and Anni-seeds in a quart of strong Ale or Beer Milk-warm. And for to prevent this, blood them well at the Spring and at the Fall; and when you blood them, give to every Beast some Rhue in a pint of Ale or Beer, if they be never so well, Milk-warm, and they will do well. *Approved of myself.*

IV. *For the Garget in the Tongue and Throat.*

THis Disease sometimes cometh of blood, and sometimes of eating of poyson-Grass, as Dogs-bane, Goose-foot, Helmet-flowers, and all these are poyson either to Beast or Swine.

The Cure.

You must first blood them in the Neck: and if they be swelled under the Jaws against the Throat-Bowl, then you must pull forth his Tongue, and cut a Vein that lieth under the Tongue, and cut the Skin two inches long under the Tongue, length-way for to let forth the Blood and Water, and wash the Tongue with Vinegar, Salt, and burnt Allom: And for the out-side that

that is swelled, you must slit the Hide just against the swell'd place four fingers broad, every way, and then put in a good handful of Spear-grass, Salt and Butter, and stitch some of the hole up again; then take a lump of the blewest Clay, as much as a Mustard-ball, and boyl it with old Urine, and the middle Green Bark of young Elder, and a good handful of Salt, and let them boyl a quarter of an hour or more, and put in a little reased Bacon, and boyl them all together until they be thick like Pap, and then bathe the Beasts Face from the Ears downwards, and stroak it downwards towards the slit as hot as you can endure, the hotter the better; and bathe the Beast so three times a day: and when the swelling is abated, then take Tar, fresh Butter, and Bees-wax, and anoint the sore place, and it will be well presently by Gods help. *Approved.*

And to prevent this Disease, you must do by them as I said in the former Chapter: Blood them and give them some Rhue and strong Ale or Beer compounded together, and give it them Milk-warm.

V. *Another for the same.*

TAKE the blewest Clay that you can get, and take Hogs-grease and a little Grunsel, and boyl them in new milk until the Herbs be well boyled, and put in a handfull of Salt, and bathe the Beast as hot as you be able for to put in your hand; but first let blood in the Neck, and give them three penny-worth of Fenigrick, Turmeric, Long-Pepper, Anniseeds, Liquorish, all in equal portions, but three-pence in all, and give it them in a quart of strong Ale or Beer Milk-warm, and they will mend presently by Gods help. Approved of myself. And for the preventing of it, you must blood them in the Spring and Fall, and it will prevent them, giving them some Rhue in strong Ale when you blood them.

VI. *For the Garget in the Head and Throat, as some do call the Murrain Long-sought.*

THIS Garget is Cousin-German to the Murrain, for they will swell and be puck under their Jaws like a rotten Sheep; their Cheeks will be swelled up to their Eyes, they will not foam at the Mouth, but they

they run water very much ; and sometimes their Tongue will be swelled at the Root, and yet there will be no blisters, but onely the Venome that cometh of an ill distemper of Stomach, and so fumeth into the Head ; and if it be not staid, it will return to the Heart, and all over the Body. The right name of this Disease is called the Mountain-Evil among Beasts.

The Cure.

First let them Blood in the Neck-vein both sick and sound, and give to every Beast to drink both sick and sound a pint of old Urine, and a good quantity of Hens-dung laid in steep eight or ten hours, and grind for every Beast a handful of Rhue, and put to the Hens-dung and Urine when it is strained, and give it to the Beasts both sick and sound, but more to the sick, and less to the sound, and it will cure the sick and prevent the sound. *Approved.*

And for to keep them sound, if the year time be dangerous, you must take Time and lay it in steep in White-wine Vinegar, and the Beasts own Water, and a handful of Salt, and blend with the Vinegar, and rub their Mouth and Tongue very well,

and put the rest down the Beasts Throat, and it will keep their Stomach, and preserve their Health ; but blood both at the Spring and Fall of the Leaf, and give them Rhue as aforesaid.

VII. A special Cure for the Murrain in a Beast.

THIS Disease cometh many several ways: First it cometh of rankness of Blood or Feeding, or from the corruption of the Air, or the infection of other Cattle: you may find this Disease by their Carriage, That is, they will foam at the Mouth, and blow very thick and short, and their Heart and Lights will beat very sore, and sometimes their Face and Chaps will swell, and their Eyes will run with water.

The Cure.

First, let all your Beasts blood both sick and sound, and give to the sick some Rhue, Fetherfew, Sage, Hyssop, Time, Marjerom, Marigolds, Fennel, Tansey, Lavender, and Spike, of every one a small handful, and boyl all the Herbs in Spring - Water, and boyl them from a Gallon to a Quart,
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and then strain the Herbs forth, and put to for every Beast a pint of strong Ale to the Juyce, and put to the Juyce and Ale some long Pepper and green Anniseeds, Pease and Bay-salt, Treacle, and Liquoris-powder and Butter ; pound all these Spices and put them to the Juyce of Herbs, and give to the sick a full pint, and to the sound half a pint, and they will mend for certain. *Approved.*

VIII. *Another excellent Cure for the Murrain, in Ox, Cow, or Calf.*

First, you must take for every Beast a quart of old Wash, and a good quantity of Hens-dung, and lay the Hens-dung to steep Eight or Ten Hours, and then strain the Dung forth, and break to every Beast two rotten Eggs into the forenamed Juyce, and give to every one two penny-worth of Spikenard, and blend all these together and give it the Beast ; but first let blood, both sick and sound, and seperate the sick from the sound. Blood and Drench both Horses and Swine, for they are both apt to take the Disease. Bury the Dead Carrion Deep in the Ground, that the Dogs cannot pull it forth for to feed

feed on it, for they are those that carry the Disease from one place to another : and be careful where you lay the Murrain-Hide of an Horse, or how a man doth take off the Hide while the Beast is hot, for it is infectious; the safest way is to bury the Beast, the Hide and all, for that is the best way, and by Gods help, they will be well again presently.

IX. *A good Receipt for to take off an Anberry or Wart on any Beast.*

THis Anberry cometh of Blood, and is a spongie kind of Flesh, full of Blood and Water, and groweth most commonly on young Beasts betwixt one year old and four.

The Cure.

If it be of any bulk, so that you can tie any thing about it, take ten Horse-hairs and tie them about the Wart as hard as you can, and once in eight days you will see it fall away, and then you may heal it up with unslack't Lime and Honey ; and if it be flat, then you must take it off with a hot Iron, and heal it up as is said before :
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And if it be in such a place, as among Sinews and Veins, then you must eat it away with Rosulger or Mercury, and then stop the hole with Flax and the White of Eggs for two days, and then heal it up with the Powder of unslack't Lime and Honey, and it will do well. *Approved of my self.*

X. *A good Receipt for the Madnes in the Head of Bull, Ox, or Cow.*

FOr the madnes in the Head, it proceedeth from Blood.

The Cure.

First cord them in the Neck, and Blood them in the Temples, under the Eyes, and in the Ears, and let them bleed very well, and give them Fenigrick, Turmerick, Long-Pepper, and green Anniseeds, all alike in Portions, and but three pence in the whole, and the Juyce of Rhue, or else very small Grains, and put all together, and give it them in a quart of strong Ale or Beer Milk warm, and give the one half of the thinnest in at their Nostrils, and the rest at their Mouth. This Disease is easily found, for they will reel as they go, and set their

their Head into the Heck, or against a Wall or a Gate, and two men can hardly stir them. And thus much for this Disease, for I have approved it.

XI. For the Garget in the Maw.

FOr the Garget in the Maw, you may perceive it by their drooping and heaviness in their Head, and hanging down their Head and Ears, their Heart will beat very sore, and many times they will be very Costive in their Body, and will not eat any thing, but sit continually.

The Cure.

Let them bleed in the Neck-vein, and let them bleed very well, and then draw your Cord, and take Rhue, Plantane, Southernwood, Wormwood, Shepherds-purse, Smallage, Calewort, if you can conveniently get them, or the most part of them, every one half a handful, bruise them very small, and take a handful of Hens dung, and lay it in steep in a pint of old Wash eight hours, and then strain forth the Hens-dung, and put the Herbs and the Wash together, and put a full quart of strong Ale

Ale to the Herbs and Wash, and set them on the fire, and boyl the one half away ; and then strain them over again and put in an ounce of Treacle, a spoonful of the Juyce of Garlick, and some Anniseeds, and some Liquoris powder : blend all together, and give to the Beast Milk-warm. This is special good for the Murrain, or for any Garget or Long-sought whatsoever, it will cure them by Gods help. *Approved.*

XII. *For the Yellows in the whole body.*

THis Disease is a forerunner of all Diseases, and is the soonest found out ; for they will be Yellow in their Ears, Eyes, and in the Tail-end, and sometimes all over the Body.

The Cure.

You must blood them in the Ears and in the Tail very well, and put some Salt in their Ears, and rub them betwixt your hands when they are blooded for to make them for to bleed, and then give them two handfuls of Salt down their Throat dry over night, and in the morning give them Fenigrick, Turmerick, long Pepper, and Anni-

Anniseeds and Liquoris, but two-pence in all: the whole made in Powder and given them in a quart of Ale Milk-warm, is very good for the overflowing of the Gall. *Approved.*

XIII. For the Worm in the Tail.

FOR the Worm, you may presently perceive it by the Tail, for sometimes the Hair will go off where the worm lieth, and most commonly the Joynts some of them is eaten asunder, which you may feel knock one besides the other. Many one doth conceive, that when a Beasts Tail is soft below towards the end, they have the Worm: they are meerly mistaken, for every Beast hath so.

The Cure.

You must be sure that you slit the Skin of the under-side above the decayed Joynt, just against the Vein, and prick the Vein and let it bleed very well; then take Garlick, Butter, and Salt, and bind it to, and it will mend, and slit their Gums against every Tooth, and rub them with Salt, and they will grow fast.

XIV. *For the making of Blend-Water.*

THis Disease is, as some do call it, the *Morehough*; it is a Disease that cometh several ways: First it cometh of Blood, and secondly it cometh from the Yellows, which is a Ring-leader of all Diseases; and thirdly it cometh by change of Ground; the Ground being hard breedeth this Disease, which if they have not help in six days, they will be past help.

The Cure.

You must take a penny-worth of Bole-armonick, and as much Charcoal-flower as will fill an Egg-shell, and a good quantity of the inner Bark of an Oak, dried and pounded together to Powder, and put them into a quart of new Milk, and a pint of Erning, and give it the Beast at twice, and it will help them for certain. *Approved.*

XV. *Another good Receipt for the Blend-Water.*

THis Receipt never failed: Take a quart of new churned Milk, and take a good

good piece of Lean-Salt-Hung-Beef, and lay it upon the Coals, and burn it as black as a Coal; and when it is cold, pound it to Powder: also take a penny-worth of Bole-armoniack and pound it, and a handful of Shepherds-purse, and put all together and give it to the Beast, for it never failed me.

XVI. A good Receipt for the Water-Murrain.

THis Disease cometh of Rankness of blood, and chiefly it taketh those that are young, betwixt one year old and three: This Disease is easie to find out, for they do swell on the Back and both sides the Chine; and if they have not present help they will die; the Hide will be puffed up to the Should-blade on both sides.

The Cure.

You must first let them blood in the Neck, and give them some Fenigrick, Turmeric, long Pepper, Spikenard, all made into Powder, and give it them in Ale or Beer Milk-warm: and for the swelling on the Back, you must take three handfuls of Salt, and a pint of Spring-water, and a
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pint of Whitewine-Vinegar, and take a little Allom and pound it, and put it all together, and beat it with a slice until it be white like Milk, and then bathe the swelled places very well, & it will dry up the rheum, and they will be well presently by Gods help. *Approved.* And for the preventing of this Disease, bleeding is the best in time: Also if they be swelled very much on the Back, rowel them on both sides behind the Shoulder-blade against the Heart, and put in some hair to keep the holes open, and they will amend presently. *Approved.*

XVII. A good Receipt for the rising in the Body and swelling behind.

FOr the rising in the Body and swelling behind, you must look in their Mouths and behind for Blisters; if they have any, you must break them first, and then let them blood under the Tail, and then let them be raked with a little hand in their Bodies behind for to break the Blisters in the Body, and give them a quart of churn-Milk, and some Soot of the Ghimney, Bole-armonick, a red Onion, an Egg the shell and all put together and give it them, and they will mend presently without fail; but walk them.

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XVIII. *Another good Receipt for the Rising in the Body.*

IF the Beasts be swelled in the Belly that you think they are almost past help, look on the near side, and you shall see the Belly swell'd above the Ridge of the Back; and then with your thumb and your finger you must feel the rib on the one side, and the hip on the other side, and the Loyn-bone above; then take a Pen-knife, and a handful from the Loyn, and as much from the Rib, thrust in your Knife four fingers deep into the Windy-belly, and you will let forth that filthy Wind which would have killed them, and they will recover presently; then within an hour give them a Drink of Fenigrick, Turmerick, long Pepper and Grain, Anniseeds, Liquoris-powder, and a little handful of Rhue bruised, and put all together and give it them in strong Ale or Beer Milk-warm, and they will mend presently; and within fourteen days let them blood in the Neck-vein, and give them a little Rhue and a pint of Ale. This I have tried many times my self for certain.

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XIX. *For the Towering Long sought that is Hide-bound.*

THis disease commonly cometh to those that are in Poverty and low of Flesh: The signs are, they will look frozenly on their sides, their Hide will grow fast to their back, and their Eyes will sink in their head; they will whet their Teeth, and will not chew their Cud; and they will go by themselves, and careth not for their fellows.

The Cure.

You must first blood them in the Neck-vein, and take a handful of Rhue, Hyssop, Sage, Fetherfew, Southernwood, Rosemary, every one of these Herbs a handful: chop and grind these together, and take a quart of strong Ale or Beer and put to the Herbs, and stir them together, and then strain the Herbs as well as possibly you can from the Ale; and then take long Pepper, Fenigrick, Turmerick, Anniseeds, and Liquoris-powder, make all these into Powder, & take two pennyworth of Salade-oyle; mix all these with the Juyce of the Herbs and Ale, and make them Milk-warm, and

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give it to the Beast ; and if they be weak and far spent, then you must cut them in the Dew-lap, and put in some Bears-foot or Spear-grass, with Salt and Butter, and they will mend presently. *Approved.*

XX. *For the scowring Long-sought that stinketh.*

THIS Disease sometimes cometh of Blood, and sometimes by Distemper of Body, either by over-heating or by unwholsome Fodder, which will breed laxativeness. The signs are apparent for to be seen in their scowring and stinking.

The Cure.

First let them blood in the Neck-vein, and then take Fenigrick, Turmerick, long Pepper and Grain, Anniseeds, Liquoris-powder, and half a pound of Allom, a good quantity of Charcoal, make all these into powder ; then take Rhue, Sage, wild Mint, Parsley, Southernwood, Wormwood, Rosemary, Hyssop : chop and grind of every one of these half a handful as small as you can, and put a Gill of Whitewine-Vinegar
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to the Herbs, and roul all together, and then strain the Herbs forth, and put to them a little Ale and roul them again; and then strain that forth which is left, and put all the Juyce together, and blend the Juyce with the formentioned Powder, and put to a quart of strong Ale or Beer, and give it to the Beast Milk-warm, and they will mend in one night. *Approved.* Also you may then take a quart of Tanners Ooze, Charcoal-flower and Chalk, Allom and burnt Clay, or very well burnt Tobacco-Pipes pounded to powder and finely searced: blend all these with the strongest Ooze you can get, and give it to the Beasts Milk-warm, and they will mend in twelve hours I am sure. *Approved.*

XXI. *A good Receipt for a Beast that cannot Piss without pain.*

THis disease sometimes cometh of over-much heat, and sometimes of drinking Sand-water, which doth oft-times gather together and hinder the passage of the Bladder; and sometimes by bruised Blood that may stop the neck of the Bladder, and so hinder the passage.

The Cure.

Take Anniseed, Cumminseed, Parsley-seed, Watercress-seed, or the Herb it self, and Mustardseed; bruise all these and lay them in steep in Whitewine-Vinegar ten hours; then put a pint of Whitewine to the Powders when they are steep'd, and give it to the Beast Milk-warm; also take Bayberries, Butchers-broom, Setwel, Stone-Parsley, or other Parsley, Sow-thistle, Lettice, Peneroyal, Red Nettles; bruise all these with a little Whitewine-Vinegar, and strain them, and put to a pint of Whitewine; also put in some Anniseeds, and some Carraway-seeds bruised; put all together, and give it to the Beast warm. *Approved.*

XXII. For the swelling Foule.

THis Foule cometh of Blood and waterish Rheum that falleth into the legs, and causeth a swelling sometimes in all four legs.

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The Cure.

You must cast the Beasts and tie their feet together, and take a sharp Knife and slit the Skin an inch above the Heel under the Fetlock-joynt, streight up and down, for fear of cutting the Sinews ; then you must take Nettles, and Garlick, and Salt, and bruise them together and bind them on, and remove the Plaister within a night and a day, and they will be well presently. *Approved of my self.*

XXIII. *For the Foul betwixt the Claws that cometh by Sand, Stub, or filth of the Earth.*

First you must cast the Beasts and tie their feet, and with a sharp knife pare off all that is dead, and rub it very well for to make it bleed ; and then take dry Verdigrease and bruise it small, and dry off the blood and lay it on again, and then take Hogs-grease, and dip it in the Verdigrease, & bind it on with a linnen cloth, and keep it dry one night, and it will be well. And if they chance to have a Wart grow betwixt their Claws or in the Heel,

you must pare it with a knife and let it bleed very well, and then take a hot Iron and sear it; also then take Tar, yellow Wax and Butter melted together on the fire; lay it on with a Tent of Flax, and bind it on with a cloth, and it will be well presently.
Approved.

XXIV. *A good Receipt for the Evil.*

THis Evil is easily found out by reason of its taking of their Limbs from them; sometimes it taketh them in the Neck, and sometimes in their Legs, and sometimes in both; and if it do take them in their Limbs, it is very hard to recover them.

The Cure.

Take Rosemary, Sage, Unset Hyssop, Woodbine leaves, every one of these a good handful, and two handfuls of Burdock-leaves, and boyl all these in a Gallon of Spring-water till they all come to a quart; and then strain forth the Herbs, and melt in half a pound of Roach-Allom, and put it into an earthen-pot, and keep it close from the wind, and give it the Beasts in at their

their Nostrils by six Spoonfuls at a time, and no more, each Nostril three Spoonfuls, and give it them three times a day and no more, and give it them as long as the Liquor lasteth, and it will help them. *Approved.* But first let them bleed in the Tail, and let them bleed very well, there is no question of their mending.

XXV. For the Speed in the hinder parts.

THIS Disease may well be called the Speed, because it either mendeth or endeth in three days time ; it cometh of the rankness of blood , and it is catching among young Cattle betwixt one year old and three, and none else ; It also cometh for want of bleeding.

It taketh them in the hinder parts.

The Cure.

Give them Salt and Whitewine blended together ; and those that are well, bleed them in the Neck-vein, and those that are sick, bleed them in the Tail, and let them bleed very well, and then cast them and tie their Feet, and take a sharp knife and slit a hole two inches long in the inside of the

the hinder legs above the hollow of the Gambrel streight up and down, for fear of cutting any Vein or Sinew; and make some room with you finger for to put in some Speargrass, Salt and Butter, and give them a quart of Ale and some Rhue, Sage, Fetherfew, and Spurge ground small and put to the Ale, and give to the Beasts warm: but you must not drive them above twelve hours; if you do, they will be past help: If they be taken while they can stand, they are curable, by Gods help.
Approved.

XXVI. *For the Pantas.*

THis Disease is called the *Pantas*: It cometh by eating foul sowre Grass, or dry harsh Grass in Summer, which doth not go forth of their Maw, but maketh them go with a short grunt, and go but a little, and stand as if they were not able to go half a mile.

The Cure.

Take a quart of half-churned Milk with the Butter in it, and take a good Garlick-head, or two little ones, and pill them as if they were to eat, and bruise them, and take

a penny-worth of the finest Tar that you can get, and a good handful of the finest Feathers that can be got, without any stumps, for fear of sticking in the Beasts Throat, and beat all these together : and if they chance to go on lumps, put them all together, and beat in a little Soot and give it the Beasts, and they will be well in four and twenty hours. *Approved.*

XXVII. *A good Receipt for the biting of a Shrew-Mouse.*

THe *Shrew-Mouse* (for her bigness) is a more venomous Beast than any ; for if she biteth any Beast, though it be but little, it will swell abundantly.

The Cure.

When you see that your Beast is bitten and is swelled, then take an Awl and prick it up and down as far as it is swelled through the Hide, and no further ; then take the Earth where Wains and Carts do much use to go, (but let it be the dryest of it) and blend it with Whitewine-Vinegar, and it will presently assuage and heal the swelling. Also take the Earth of a Cart-wheel and

and the earth of a Swallows nest, and pound them together, and blend them with old Urine; and make it thick like a Salve, and anoint the sore place that is bitten, and it will cure either Man or Beast. *Approved.*

XXVIII. *Another good Receipt for the Shrew-Mouse.*

THe biting of this Shrew is venomous, as is said before.

The Cure.

First open the Skin and let out the venom; and if it be swelled, then beat Salt and Vinegar together, and bathe the sore place with it, and then boyl some Herbs to bathe the swelled place, but boyl them in old Urine; bathe it round about the sore; and if it chance to break, then you must take Barley and lay it on a fire-shovel, and burn it black-brown, and then pound it to Powder, and lay it in steep in Whitewine-Vinegar all night, and put to a little of the Juyce of Dill, and blend them together and anoint the place till it be well, and that will be quickly. *Approved of my self.*

XXIX. *Another for the Shrew-Monse.*

THe bite of a *Shrew-Monse* is as venomous as the sting of a Wasp; for if the bite either Man or Beast it will swell immediately.

The Cure.

You must take Parsley-seed and boyl it with Whitewine, Salade-oyl & Hogs grease; also take some Powder of burnt Barley and blend in it, and make it like a Salve, and anoint the sore till it be well. This is good for to cure the biting of *Hedge-hogs*, or the stinging of *Hornets*.

XXX. *For the stinging of Adders and Scorpions, or the biting of a Hedge-hog or Shrew.*

FOr the stinging and biting of these venomous creatures, take the Oyl of Scorpions and Vinegar, with Plantane and Bole-armonick made thick like a Salve, and anoint the place so grieved three times a day. Also take *Sanguis Draconis*, & a little Barly-Meal, and the White of Eggs; beat all these
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together, and lay them on Plaister-wise to the sore; and renewing it once in twelve hours, it will help them for this, and for the stinging of *Hornets*. *Approved.*

XXXI. *For the swelling of an Oxes Cod.*

FOr the swelling of an *Oxes Cod* by any chance whatsoever, you must anoint him with sweet Seam at the first three times a day; and if it do not fall, then take Wall-earth and dissolve it in Vinegar and the Dung of an Ox, and bathe them with it. Some hold it a natural remedy for the Dung of a Dog to cure the swelling of an *Oxes Cod* or *Pisfe*, if they be often rubbed with it.

XXXII. *For an Ox or Cow that has lost their Appetite.*

FOr the Beasts that are tired by labour and have lost their appetite, you must cause them to swallow raw Eggs well beaten with Honey, Vinegar and Salt.

Also give them Horehound made into fine Powder to drink, and it will help the Appetite.

Also stamp the tops of Rhue, Leeks, Smallage,

lage, and Sage, and give it them to drink in Whitewine, and it will help their Appetite.

Also for the swelling of the Pallate of the Mouth, take a sharp knife and launce it, and let forth the Water and Blood, and rub the slit with Water and Salt, and it will do well.

XXXIII. *A Remedy for the loss of the Cud.*

BEasts sometimes lose their Cud by chance; and if so, then they will mourne; and sometimes by sickness and poverty.

The Cure.

Take sowe Leven of Rie-bread & Salt, and beat it in a Mortar with mans Urine and Barm, and make a big Ball or two of it, and put them down the Throat of the Beasts, and they will do well.

Also take part of the Cud of another Beast, and blend it with Rie-bread and sowe Leven and Salt, and pound them in a Mortar, and make it into Balls, and give it to the Beasts, and they will get their Cud again for certain.

XXXV.

XXXIV. *For the Lungs Growing of any Beast.*

THe *Lungs* of a Beast is very often subject to sickness or stopping, as will appear by their coughing and hasting; and sometimes they will hang forth their Tongues a great while after their hasting, that is a sign of the *Lungs Growing*. There is no other Medicines for this Disease but these two following.

The Cure.

You must take a pint of Tanners Ooze, and blend it with a pint of new Milk, and an ounce of brown Sugar-candy, and two penny-worth of Salade-Oyl, and two spoonfuls of Tar, and give it to the Beast warm at twice.

Also, you must give them two Balls (either of them as big as an Egg) of Tar, Butter, Garlick and Sugar-candy blended all together, and it will mend them presently.
Approved.

XXXV. *For to kill Worms in Ox, Cow, or Calf.*

THere is nothing better to kill Worms in Cattle than pounded Savin and black Soap, blended with a quart of sweet Wort and given them in a morning fasting, and keep them without meat three hours after.

XXXVI. *A good Receipt for a Beast that is Dewboulne at the Spring or in Eddigetime.*

FOr this Dewboulne, you must first let them blood in the Tail, and then take a Nutmeg and grate it, and take an Egg and take off the top of the shell, and put out so much of the White as you may put the Nutmeg into the shell, and blend them together, and put it down the Beasts Throat shell and all, and walk them up and down, and they will mend presently.

This swelling most commonly cometh when the Grass is full of Water, and then it is full of Wind also, so that then the Beast lappeth up both Wind and Water, and that causeth them to swell; then stir them

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up and down and cause them to Purge, and they will do well.

There is less danger in putting them to wet Eddige, than there is to dry; for the dry Eddige will not go through their Maws so well when it is dry and the Beasts hungry.

XXXVII. A good way to breed Milk.

IF your Cow chance to have a Galf and be poor, or to Calve before her time, and hath not Milk for to keep her Calf, you must give her good store of Mashes of Mault Milk-warm; also give her every morning and evening a quart of Ale made into a Posset, and take off the Curd, and put in Anniseeds, Cummin-seeds, Lettice-seeds, and Coriander-seeds, all made into Powder, and blend them with the Posset, and let them stand three hours blended together, and then give it the Beast for four days one after another; and by often drawing of her Paps her Milk will be sure to encrease mightily in a short time.

XXXVIII. For the Withering of a Cow.

For the Withering of a Cow, take Cole-worts, Mallows, Maiden-hair, Mug-wort,

Wort, Bettrany, *Aristolochia*, and boyl all these in Water, and give it to the Beast Milk-warm. Also take *Aristolochia*, Myrrh, and Pepper, and bruite them, and give it the Beast in Whitewine or strong Ale Milk-warm, and it will caule her to cast forth her latter burden or dead Calf, and make her whole for certain. *Approved.*

XXXIX. A good Receipt for a Beast that maketh Blend-water that cometh by a strain, and issueth through the Bladder.

There may be several causes for the making of Blend-water. First it may come by a Strain, Crush, or Wrench in the Back, which may cause some Vein to be broken near the Kidney, and so may feed the Bladder; and it may come to a Cow in her Calving by a strain, or it may come by change of Ground or harsh feeding, as I mentioned before in the former Chapter.

The Cure.

Take a Swallows-nest the Birds and all, if you can get them, and put them all into a Mortar, and pound the Birds, Nest, and

Feathers all together, and then boyl them in fair Water, and put in a good handfull of Plantane leaves and seeds, Blewbottle, and the roots of Daffidillies; also put in a little Sumack and boyl them very well; then strain them and put to a little sweet Wine, and give it the Beast Milk-warm fasting. But first let blood in the Neck-vein for to draw the Blood back, and within half an hour give them the Drink, and it will stay certainly.

XL. For to get a Beast a stomach when he is weary and tired.

WHen a Beast is tired or weary, it may be through weakness and poverty of his Body, it will bring some Disease or other upon him.

To prevent that, and bring him to a Stomach, take a little handfull of Salt and Whitewine-Vinegar, and rub his Mouth and Tongue very well, and put the rest down his Throat, and he will eat his Meat presently.

XLI. *For the hardness or swelling of a Bull or Oxes Pisse that is bruised by Riding.*

FOr the swelling of a *Bull or Oxes Pisse*, you must take Holyhawk, Housleek, and a little Plantane, and stamp them together with fresh Butter, and anoint it twice a day; and if it be sore, you must cast him and wash his Sheath and Pisse with Whitewine-Vinegar very well; and if there be any Cancer or Holes in the Yard, then you must put some burnt Allom to the Vinegar, and wash it very well, and he will mend in three times dressing without fail.
Approved.

XLII. *For Sorbaiting a swoln Foot of any Beast.*

THis *Sorbaiting* cometh by sore travel or work, which causeth lameness and fretting of the Foot.

The Cure.

You must boyl Honey and Hogs-grease in White-wine until it be thick like Pap,
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and lay it on the Foot a good thickness, and let it lie on three days before you remove it.

Also for a swoln Foot, take half a handful of Elder-leaves, a few leaves of Grunsel, and a few crops of Chickweed, and a little Houleek, and Swines-grease, and beat them all together in a Mortar till they be like a Salve, and lay it on Plaster-wise, and it will take down the swelling without fail.

XLIII. For the stenching of Blood of any Beast cut, or hurt, and how to make a Salve to heal it.

First, if you chance to have any Beast cut or hurt, you must take Hares-wooll or Rabbits-wooll, and fill the cut or slit full of it, and hold it to with your hand, or else bind it fast with some string, and burn the upper-leather of an old Shooe, and take the Ashes of it and strew amongst the Wooll, and it will stay the bleeding. But let it lie on four and twenty hours before you take it off.

The Cure.

Take a little Wax, Honey, Turpentine, Swines-grease and Wheat-flower, and set them all on the fire, and let them boyl gently: stir and blend them together, and then take them from the fire and use them at your leisure. And if there be a cut of any deepness, lay in a Tent of Flax or Linnen cloth dipped in the Salve, and lay a Plaster of the same over it, and let it lie on four and twenty hours; then remove it, and that is enough, and it will heal it for certain.

Approved.

XLIV. *For to make a Cow take the Bull by Milk.*

IF your Cow be in good case, and you would have her to take Bull, if you have any Cow that is a Bulling, or any Neighbours Cow, get a quart and a half of that Cows Milk that is on the Road, and give it to that Cow that you would have to be a Bulling, and let the Bull go with her, and she will be a Bulling within six or eight days at the farthest.

XLV. For to keep an Ox sound.

FOr to keep an Ox sound, you must wash his Mouth with his own Water and Whitewine-Vinegar once in twelve days, and it will bring a great deal of Flegm and Water off, which would take away his Stomach, and cause him to hang down his Ears and have weeping Eyes. Also wash his Mouth with Whitewine-Vinegar and Time stamped in a little Salt; likewise wash his Tongue very well, and he will have a very good stomach again.

XLVI. For the Feaver in a Beast.

THis Feaver may be taken in the heat of Summer, in driving or hard labouring, and by drinking cold Water when they are exceeding hot, and so cause a shaking on them first, and afterwards produce a Feaver.

The Signs. They will be very heavy in the Head, and will have swoln Eyes, and an extream heat in their Bodies, their Hair will stand of a Sweat upon their Backs.

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The Cure.

You must cut them some Grasse, and give them some Lettice amongst it to cool their Bodies, and the next morning let them blood in the Neck-vein, and give them the Juyce of Purslain blended with Gum-Dracant, Anniseeds, the Powder of Damask-Roses, and put into it a quart of strong Ale, and make it sweet with Honey; Then blend all together and give it to them three mornings one after another Milk-warm; and keep them warm, and they will mend presently by Gods help. *Approved.*

XLVII. For the Scab in a beast.

FOr the Scab on a Beast, take his own Water, Salt, Butter, and Whitewine-vinegar, with a little Salade oyl and a little Brimstone; blend all together and rub it on, and it will mend presently.

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XLVIII. *A good Receipt for to purge Beasts.*

FOR to purge Beasts, and to cleanse the inner part of their Bodies, you must give them the drops of Olives after the Oyl is pressed out in new Milk.

Also take a quart of Clay-water, and put in two penny-worth of Honey, and two penny-worth of Salade Oyl, and twelve Laurel-leaves dried and made into Powder: put all together and make it warm, and give it to the Beast.

Also take half a pound of sweet Soap, and sweet Ale that is in the Fat, and put in twelve Laurel-leaves, or the powder of the same ground small or pounded into the sweet Ale and Soap, and blend all together, and give it to the Beasts Milk-warm, and it will help them. Also take a half-penny Candle and put up at his Fundament as far as you can reach, and leave it behind in the Body: *Approved.*

XLIX. For a dry Hoarsness or Cough in a
Beast.

This Hoarsness or Cough in Ox or Cow
must be carefully looked to, for it
will grow in time to a worse Disease; there-
fore it is good to prevent it.

The Cure.

Take the distilled Water of Hyssop, or
else the decoction of Mint and Hyssop to-
gether, with the Juice of Leeks, and give
it with the Oyl of Olives and a little Gar-
lick; for there hath not been so long a
Cough known, but this Medicine hath hel-
ped it: sometimes if it be an easie Hoarse-
ness you may give them Tar with Honey-
water, and it will help them for certain.

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L. *Another good Receipt for purging of Cattle.*

THere is nothing better for purging *Cattle* at the Spring before they go to Grass, than to keep them in the house a Week; give them Cinnamon, or Hartshorn, and common Salt, boyled together warm: Also give them Tar, Butter, Honey, brown Sugar-candy, and the Powder of the leaves of Laurel, either in Balls or in warm water; and when they go to Grass, within a week after let them blood, and give them a handful of Rhue in a pint of Ale warm: and this is called the *preservation of Health* to any Cattle that is ready to feed, or any other service.

LI. *Another good Receipt for the Feaver in Beasts either in Winter or Summer.*

Cattle may sometimes get the *Feaver* in *Winter* as well as in *Summer*, (if the Beast be low in Flesh) by drinking cold Water, (especially in a morning) they will begin to shake and tremble; and if they chance to get the *Feaver*, they will tremble and

and have heavy Eyes, and groan, and froth a little at the Mouth.

The Cure.

First let them blood, and then give them a drink of a quart of Ale, and four roots of Plantane, and two spoonfuls of the best *London-Treacle*, and let their meat be sprinkled with Water and they will do well. *Approved.*

LII. *For an inward sickness in Cattle.*

IF you cannot find out the Disease of the Beast, take a quart of Ale and a handful of Wormwood, a handful of Rhue, and a handful of Rosemary, all being bruised in a Mortar, and then boyled a little, strain the Herbs forth very well, and add two spoonfuls of the Juyce of Garlick, and as much of the Juyce of Housleek, and as much *London-Treacle*, and blend all together and give it to the Beasts Milk-warm, and they will mend presently. *Approved.*

LIII. An excellent cure for a burn in a Bulls Yard, or in a Cows Matrix.

FOr a burned *Bull*, you must first cast him and pull forth his *Yard*, and wash both his *Sheath* and *Yard*, with *Whitewine-vinegar*, & then take the *Juyce* of *Houfleeke*, burnt *Allom*, *Honey*, and the *Juyce* of *Let-tice*; blend all together, and anoint the *Bulls Yard*, and use it some three times, and he will mend.

And for the *Cow*, you may wash and anoint her *Bearing*, and she will mend. *Approved of my selfe*.

LIV. For a sucking Calf that scowreth.

YOU must take a pint of *Verjuyce* and *Clay* that is burnt until it be red, or very well burned *Tobacco-pipes*, and pound them to *Powder*, and searse them very finely, and put to a little powder of *Charcoal*, and blend all together and give it to the *Calf*, and he will mend in a night for certain.

LV. *For a Bull that shedeth his Seed.*

TAke Clary-leaves and dry them, and pound them to Powder; and take the Powder of Tanners Bark and brown Sugar-candy, and take two penny-worth of Turpentine, and work the Powders and the Turpentine very well into Balls as big as a great Crab, and give him two at a time night and morning, and he will mend presently without fail.

LVI. *For the Disease in Beasts called the Sturdy or turning Evil.*

OF this Disease there are many kinds; one in the Brain-pan of one side or both; and another under the Horn-root, and another in the Neck-joynt: If it be in the Neck-joynt, or under the Horn, it is incurable; as for that in the Neck-joynt, you may find it out by their carriage, for they will hold up their Heads in the Air, and look wildly; and for the other under the Horn, they will turn round: none of these are curable, but that in the Brain-pan.

The Cure.

You must first cast them and bind their Feet ; then slit the Skin against the Brain-pan, and with a Needle and a long double Thread stitch up the Skin out of your way, and then take a strong short Knife, and a Hammer, and cut the *Scaup* two inches square, and turn it up, and then you may see the Bladder ; then take it out very carefully for fear of breaking it, and cast it away, and anoint the place with fresh Butter, and always apply warm cloths for fear of the cold ; and be very careful that you lay the *Scaup* on again in the right place, and then turn down the Skin and stitch it down with some Silk close together, and then make a Plaister of Turpentine, Wax, Rosin, and Swines-grease or fresh Butter, and a Plaister of Flax-hards, and lay on four or five doubles of Woollen cloth, for to keep it from the Wind and Weather ; remove the Plaister once in five days, and be careful of cold, and let them drink no cold Water for six or ten days or more, and they will do well. *Approved of my self.*

LVII. *For a Cough or shortness of Breath in Cattle.*

IF your Beasts are troubled with a Cough, as I have already shewed, this will cure them, if they are curable.

The Cure.

Take a quart of new-churned Milk, and beat in some Tar, and a Head of Garlick clean pilled, Elecampane made into Powder, and a little brown Sugar-candy; blend all together, and give it to the Beast three mornings one after another, and if they be curable this will cure them without doubt.

LVIII. *For to kill Lice in any Beast.*

FOr the killing of Lice in any Beast, you must take Quicksilver and kill it with Swines-grease, and rub them very well about the Horns, Head, and Neck, and upon the Shoulders and Dewlap, and they will lick the rest of their Body themselves: or strew some keen ashes on their hinder parts, and let them stand in the Rain a while, and it will make them all fly away from the Beast for certain.

LIX. For the Milting of a Beast.

THe Milting of a Beast is, when they have got a stroak with a Gord, or Cudgel, or Rush against some piece of Timber. The Signs are, when they lay themselves down, they will rise again presently and cannot rest, but sit in pain.

The Cure.

You must take Stone-pitch and pound it small, and blend it with Ale, Saffron, and Pepper, and give it him, and walk him a little after it, and he will mend presently for certain.

LX. For the Rottenness in a Beast.

IF your Beast be subject to Rottenness, you may know it by his Poverty and Leanness, and continual scowring; and if they be very rotten, they will scowre whitish brown, and it will stink filthily.

The Cure.

You must give them Bayberries beaten to Powder, Myrrh, Elder-leaves, Rhue, Fetherfew, all made small; and take a lump of the blewest Clay you can possibly get, and burn it till it be very red, or almost black, and then pound it to Powder, and blend it all together in strong Urine, and give the Beast half a pint at a time three several times Milk-warm, and it will stay the Scowering of the Beast, and heal the Disease.

LXI. *For the Clush and swoln Neck.*

First let the Beast rest three or four days, then take fresh Butter, Honey, Hogslard, and Wax, all in equal quantities, and melt them together like a Salve, and anoint the place, and it will mend presently.

Also if the Neck be swoln and raw, then take Honey and Mastick, and a little fresh Butter (without Salt) or fresh Swines-grease, (without Salt) and boyl these altogether, and anoint the sore place, and it will mend.

Also if the Neck be puffed an swoln,

and raw, you must take Elicampane, and boyl it very well, and stamp it with Hogs-grease, and the fat of a Weather, and a little Honey, and Frankincense, and new Wax ; blend all together and anoint the place, and it will presently amend. *Approved.*

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